IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Muller et al. Serial No.: 10/737.300 Filed: December 16, 2003 Dkt. No.: LOT920030036US1

Conf. No.: 7679

Examiner: Augustine, Nicholas

Art Unit: 2179

Title:

Compact Interface for the Display and Navigation of Object

Hierarchies

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P O Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Introductory Comments

In response to the Office Action dated 13 November 2008, Applicants respond as

follows: